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House Resolution 686

By: Representative Carter of the 159th

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Honoring the life and memory of Mr. George Eugene Smith; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, the State of Georgia mourns the loss of one of its most distinguished citizens
- 3 with the passing of Mr. George Eugene Smith on March 11, 2009; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Mr. Smith was born on March 14, 1932, in Savannah, Georgia, a beloved son
- 5 of the late Charles and Hortense Smith; and
- 6 WHEREAS, a graduate of Savannah High School, Mr. Smith served as a guardian of this
- 7 nation's freedom and liberty with the United States Air Force during the Korean War; and
- 8 WHEREAS, after his service in the military, Mr. Smith worked for M & M Supermarkets,
- 9 where he retired as Vice President of Operations in 1987 after over 23 years of dedicated and
- 10 loyal leadership; and
- 11 WHEREAS, a man of deep and abiding faith, Mr. Smith was an active member of
- 12 Morningside Baptist Church, serving as a deacon, treasurer, and Sunday school teacher, on
- 13 the transition committee, and on the Wednesday night supper kitchen committee; and
- 14 WHEREAS, Mr. Smith was united in love and marriage for over 48 years to his caring and
- 15 devoted wife, Sylvia, and he was brought great happiness and joy from his son and
- 16 daughter-in-law, Timothy and Karen; and
- 17 WHEREAS, he was a person of magnanimous strengths with an unimpeachable reputation
- 18 for integrity, intelligence, fairness, and kindness and, by the example he made of his life, he
- 19 made this world a better place in which to live; and

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WHEREAS, a compassionate and generous man, Mr. Smith will long be remembered for his

- 21 love of family and friendship, and this loyal husband, father, neighbor, and friend will be
- 22 missed by all who had the great fortune of knowing him.
- 23 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
- 24 the members of this body join in honoring the life and memory of Mr. George Eugene Smith
- 25 and express their deepest and most sincere regret at his passing.
- 26 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
- 27 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the family of Mr. George
- 28 Eugene Smith.